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Applicant : Noma, Hideki
 Serial No. : 09/914,407
 Filed : August 27, 2001
 For : PURCHASE SYSTEM AND METHOD, ORDER ACCEPTING
 DEVICE AND METHOD, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM
 Examiner : Thein, Maria Teresa T.
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest number previously paid for	Percent extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total claims	50	Minus	** = 81	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	10	Minus	*** = 21	* 0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

- * If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.
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- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the _____ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a _____ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims _____ petition for extension of time.
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 26, 2006, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on April 26, 2006, please consider the following arguments.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 19 of this paper.